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Appl. No.: 10/550,770

Amndt. Dated January 25, 2011

REMARKS:

Interview Summary. Applicant's attorneys thank the examiner for providing a telephone interview on January 24, 2011. As the record of interview under 37 CFR §1.133(b), Applicant's attorney states as follows:

Examiner Daniel G. Dobson and Jane S. Berman, Reg. No. 43,494, one of the attorneys for Applicant, conducted the interview on January 24, 2011. The Examiner stated that the application had been remanded by the Office of Patent Publications for removal of references to cancelled claims in the written description. The Examiner therefore requires amendment to delete such references. Applicant's attorney agreed to submission of the present amendment in order to delete such references to cancelled claims. The Examiner agreed to the acceptance and entry of such amendment under 37 CFR §1.312, even though the issue fee has already been paid, because the amendment is merely the correction of minor formalities in the specification. Agreement was reached as set forth above.

Remarks on the Amendment. By the Amendment above, all references in the written description to cancelled claims have been deleted. It is thus submitted that the Examiner's requirement has been met. References to other specific claim numbers in the written description have also been deleted, because amendments to the claims during prosecution have caused some of these references to become inaccurate as applied to the amended versions of the specific claims in question.

Applicant requests entry of the amendments presented above, and issuance of the patent.

Conclusion. It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for prompt issue and that all of the objections, rejections and requirements raised have been met or overcome. Early, favorable treatment of this application is requested.

The examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned with any questions or comments so that efforts may be made to resolve any remaining issues.

Extension Request and Deposit Account Charge Authorization. It is submitted that no fees are due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all required fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with this communication, including fees for any necessary extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for filing this communication, which extension is hereby requested, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305 of Chapman and Cutler LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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